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**RESPONSE UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.112**

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Sir:

In response to the Official Action of November 4, 2008, which set a three-month shortened statutory period for response expiring on February 4, 2009, Applicant respectfully requests reconsideration and withdrawal of the outstanding rejections set forth in the above-mentioned Official Action in view of the following remarks.

**Remarks** begin on page 2 of this paper.